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To express the sense of the Senate concerning Raoul Wallenberg.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

AUGUST 4 (legislative day, AUGUST 1), 1983

Mr. LEVIN submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the

Committee on Foreign Relations

RESOLUTION

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- Whereas Raoul Wallenberg accepted the request of the United States War Refugee Board and went to Hungary in the summer of 1944 as a Secretary of the Swedish legation;
- Whereas Raoul Wallenberg, with unparalleled courage and selflessness, took creative and daring actions in rescuing nearly one hundred thousand Hungarian Jews from extermination at the hands of the Nazis;
- Whereas the Soviet Union, after occupying Hungary, arrested Wallenberg on January 17, 1945, in violation of international law and the diplomatic immunity of Wallenberg, and without an explanation of the seizure and subsequent incarceration;

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- Whereas there is substantial evidence contradicting Soviet claims that Wallenberg died in 1947;
- Whereas reports from former prisoners in the Soviet Union, suggest that Raoul Wallenberg is still alive; and
- Whereas Raoul Wallenberg, on October 5, 1981, was only the second person ever granted honorary United States citizenship: Now, therefore, be it
- 1 Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate that the
- 2 President, acting directly or through the Secretary of State
- 3 should take all possible steps at all appropriate times to as-
- 4 certain the whereabouts of Raoul Wallenberg and to secure
- 5 his return to freedom.
- 6 SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Senate shall transmit a
- 7 copy of this resolution to the President with the request that
- 8 the President further transmit such copy to the Ambassador
- 9 of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United
- 10 States.

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